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In the Application of Ernst Michael Winter, et al

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Washington, DC 20231

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 07/19/00

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

21. (Amended) Gemstone according to claim 16, wherein said plate-shaped support is comprised of a refractive metal [such as tungsten or molybdenum].

25. (Amended) Gemstone according to claim 16, wherein [the pyramid angle of] each said at least one pyramid-shaped depression within said [plat-shaped]

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